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BEFORE I WAS A KING, I WAS A PRINCE.

HE CAME THIS WAY, MY PRINCE.

BUT I'VE **ALWAYS** BEEN A WARRIOR.

DUNCAN. YOU'VE BEEN MY BEST FRIEND SINCE WE WERE BOYS. AND THESE MEN HAVE SERVED WITH US FOR YEARS THROUGH COUNTLESS BATTLES.

"MY PRINCE" IS FOR COURT. IN OUR HUNTING PARTY, IT'S JUST RANDOR.

OF COURSE MY PR-- RANDOR.

THIS POOR BEAST HAS BEEN INFECTED. LOTHOR, BRING THE CURE I DEVELOPED.

LET'S HOPE IT'S MORE EFFECTIVE THAN THAT "NEW ENGINE" YOU BUILT FOR THE WIND RAIDER.

SHOULD WE REALLY WASTE A DOSE ON AN AUROCHS? WE HAVE LIMITED SUPPLIES. WE NEED TO CONSERVE FOR OUR ***MEN.***

IT'S NOT THE AUROCHS I CARE ABOUT SAVING--IT'S ANYONE THAT MIGHT COME IN CONTACT WITH THE AUROCHS.

A MILITARY LEADER THINKS OF HIS MEN. BUT YOU'LL BE A ***KING.*** YOU HAVE TO THINK OF THE ***REALM.***

DUNCAN...

RANDOR--?

WATCH OUT!

THEY'RE COMING FROM ALL SIDES! BACK TO BACK!

I LEARNED MANY THINGS THAT DAY.

THERE IS A PERSPECTIVE EVEN THE MOST SEASONED SOLDIER CAN ACHIEVE, WATCHING HIS MEN CUT DOWN BY THE REANIMATED DEAD.

PHYSICAL STRENGTH ALONE IS NOT POWER.

I LEARNED THAT PROWESS ALONE DOESN'T GUARANTEE SURVIVAL.

THAT SOME ARE DEFENDED BY FATE.

HE FLED...THAT WAY.

ON FOOT...

DUNCAN...

NO. GO. I'LL BE FINE. TOOK THE ANTIDOTE ALREADY.

TAKE WHAT'S LEFT... IT'S NOT MUCH... BUT TAKE IT AND *END* THIS.

NOT HALF A LEAGUE AFTER THAT, THE SWAMP FELL AWAY INTO A DEEP GORGE.

A SMALL VILLAGE SUBSISTED ON THE ROCK ISLAND, FARMING CONDOR EGGS ON THE VERY EDGE OF THE RED WASTE BEHIND THEM.

I KNEW I HAD IT CORNERED.

IT WAS WEAK FROM THE BATTLE.

IT NEEDED TO FEED.

THE MAN HADN'T BEEN FULLY DRAINED.

I GAVE HIM THE LAST DOSE OF DUNCAN'S ANTIDOTE. HE'D LIVE.

DUNCAN WOULD LIVE, TOO. THOUGH HE WAS NEVER AS STRONG AS HE WAS AFTER THAT.

HE BEGAN TO FOCUS MORE AND MORE ON ARMOR AND WEAPONS DESIGNS, TO OUR GREAT BENEFIT.

THE LEECH...DID YOU DO WHAT HAD TO BE DONE?

I DID, MY FRIEND. THE REALM IS SAFE.

THAT WAS THIRTY YEARS AGO. ANOTHER TIME.

A DARKER TIME.

NOW I LOOK AROUND, AND I SEE LIGHT.

I SEE THE YOUTH OF ETERNIA, AND I HOPE I LEFT THEM A BETTER WORLD.

BECAUSE THE PRICE WAS DEAR. DEARER THAN THEY WILL KNOW.

AND I HOPE THE CHOICES I MADE HAVE GIVEN THEM A WORLD THAT WILL NEVER HAVE SUCH COST.

I NEVER TOLD DUNCAN. I NEVER TOLD ANYONE.

BUT AFTER I GAVE OUT THE LAST DOSE OF ANTIDOTE...

ONE WASN'T GOING TO BE ENOUGH.

WAIT HERE. I'LL GET HELP.

BUT WITH DUNCAN INJURED AND THE BOTH OF US LEAGUES AWAY FROM HIS LAB...

IF THEY LEFT THE VILLAGE, THEY WOULD INFECT THE ENTIRE KINGDOM.

DESPITE MY STRENGTH, I COULD NOT HELP THEM. PHYSICAL STRENGTH ALONE IS NOT POWER.

IT IS WILL THAT GRANTS POWER. THE WILL TO DO THE UNTHINKABLE.

THE POWER TO PROTECT THE REALM.

I WAS A PRINCE.

NOW I AM KING. AND THE REALM HAS NEW PROTECTORS. **BETTER** PROTECTORS.

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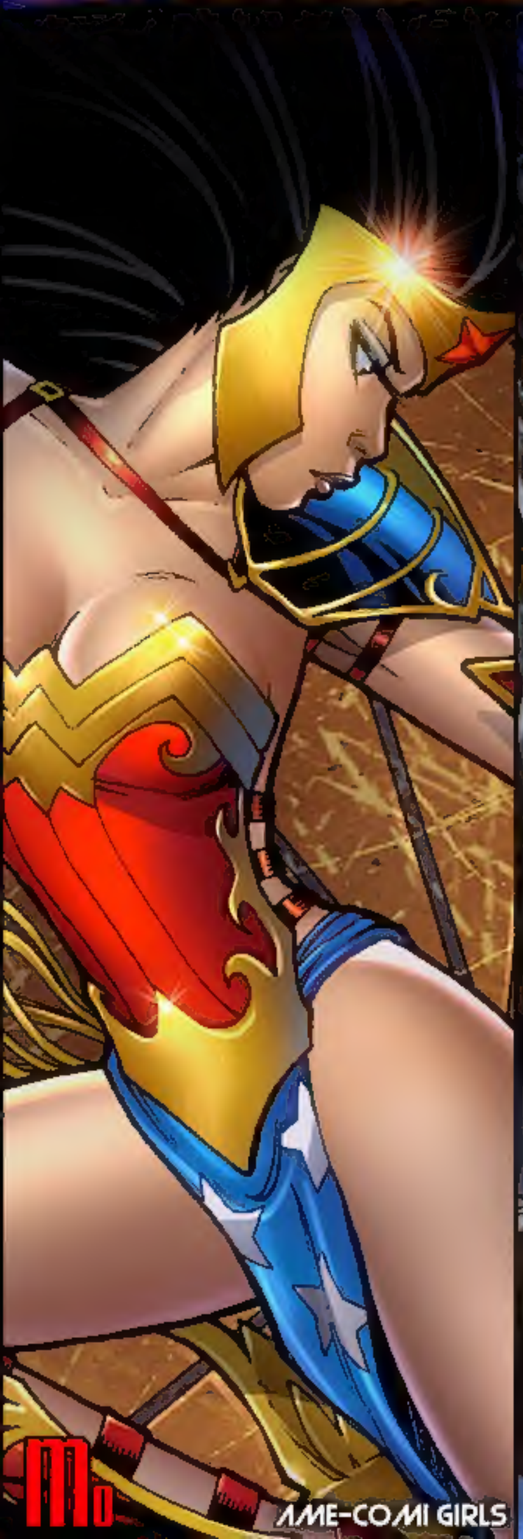

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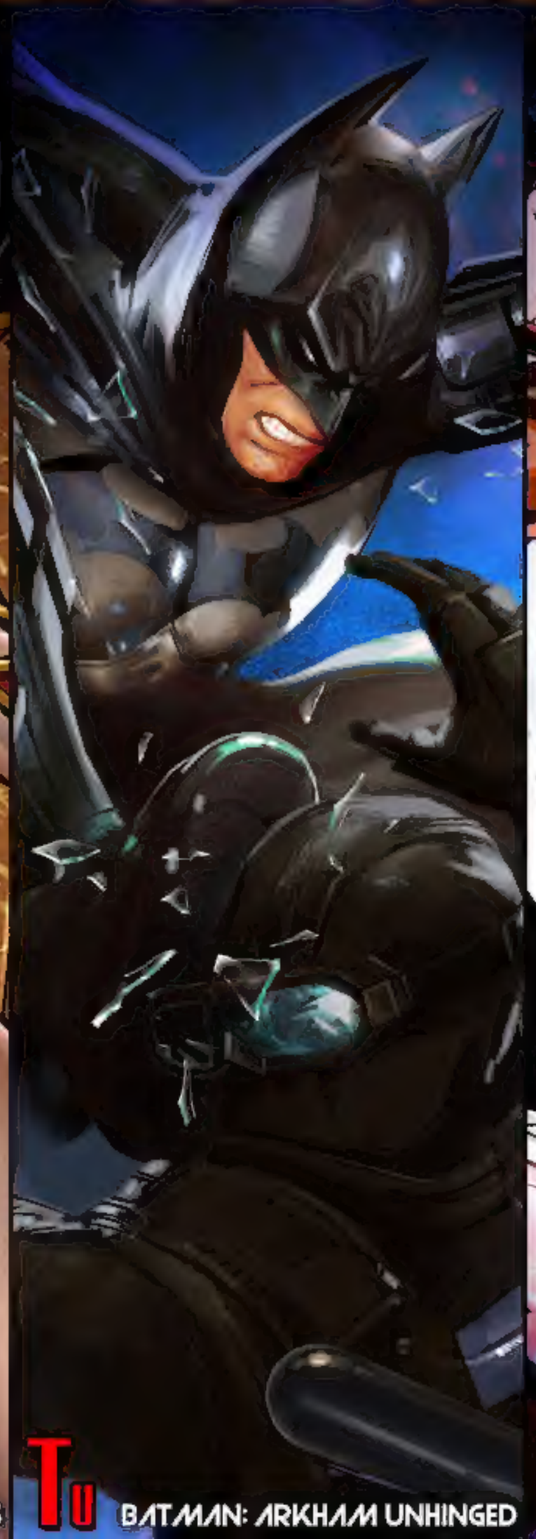

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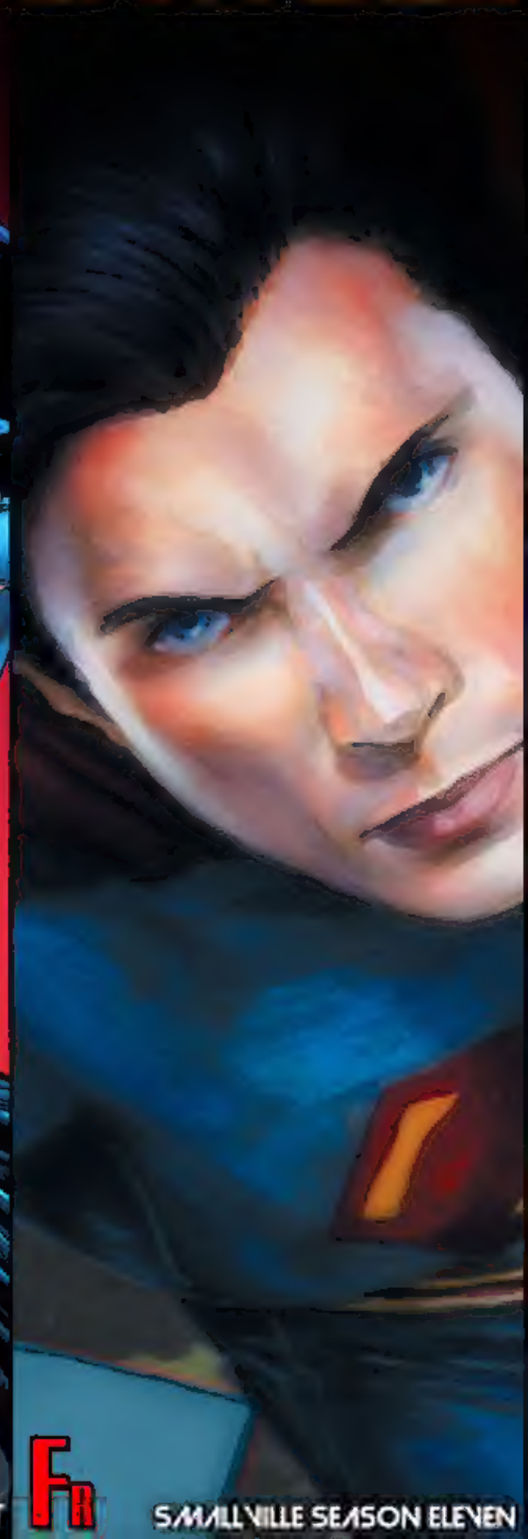

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